

REED FORD AND VELMA
MECHAM



Bishop Reed Ford was born August 11, 1922, in Wallsburg, Utah, to Alfred Ford Jr. and Molinda Boren Ford. He attended Wallsburg elementary school and graduated from Wasatch High School and attended BYU two years, where he studied aeronautics, and then enlisted in the U. S. air force on April 3, 1942. Upon release from the air force in 1945, he held the rank of a second lieutenant.

On April 22, 1946, he married Velma Mecham, daughter of Albert Wells Mecham and Sarah Humes, in Cedar City, Utah, and on December 19, 1946, they were married in the Salt Lake Temple.

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On December 4, 1948, Reed was appointed ward clerk, serving in that office nine years under Bishop Carl Batty and Bishop Elmo Ford. He was appointed bishop of the ward on February 2, 1958, an office he holds at present (1962). He has been a teacher many years in Sunday School, and served as scoutmaster three years. He holds the rank of Eagle.

The first child was born on April 27, 1948, christened Kraig R. Ford. The second child was a daughter, born December 16, 1951, and called Sheri Ann. The third child was another son, born January 23, 1954, called Roger R., and a fourth child, a son called Mark R., born November 7, 1960.

Reed's occupation has been farming, working mostly with chickens and cows.

DAVID M. GIVENS AND ALICE
M. MECHAM GIVENS

David Givens was the son of James and Annie McDonald Givens, born August 3, 1880. His parents died when David was very young. He married Alice M. Mecham on October 1, 1913, who was born January 26, 1892, at Wallburg. Her parents were Lewis and Esther Herbert Mecham.

David Givens was a farmer and cattleman most of his life. He worked for some time on the Amusement Board of Wallburg. He was a counselor in the Y.M.M.A. He was director in the Town Board and in the Hebble and Main Creek irrigation systems.

Alice was a worker in the different church organizations.

Their children are: Elma, Willa, Grant D., Lamond, Eernell, Nile E., Melba Lillie and Ella.

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Alan J Mecham

Diane Parker Mecham

A beautiful, courageous spirit left this earth life to meet her Heavenly Father, and be reunited with her lovely mother and beloved grandparents and relatives. August 31, 1996.

Diane was an example to all who knew and loved her. She truly emulated the spirit of service and Christlike love. She was on dialysis for 28 years and was cared for by her loving husband, Al, with a dedicated love beyond measure. All during this time, her main concern was the welfare of others.

Diane was born May 12, 1947 to Gail A. and Virginia Morris Parker (deceased). She graduated from Tooele High School and Hollywood Beauty School. She married Alan J. Mecham in 1966 and solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple.

She is survived by her husband, Toyotsville, Utah; her parents, Gail A. and Ailene B. Parker, Tooele, Utah; a brother, Wayne Morris Parker (Linda), West Valley City, Utah; sister, Cherylin Anderson (Howard), Cedar Fort, Utah. Also survived by her 34 nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly.

Graveside services Wednesday, September 4th, at 1 p.m., Murray City Cemetery, 725 East 5600 South, under direction of Lorkin Mortuary, T 9/1 N 9/2

